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E.O. 11652: GDS, 12-31-79

TAGS: PFOR, NATO, LY

SUBJECT: LIBYAN CLAIM TO GULF OF SIRTE

REF: USNATO 5362

1. POLADS NOVEMBER 27 COMPLETED FORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON RESPONSES TO LARG CLAIM OF GULF OF SIRTE AS INTERNAL WATERS.

2. UK REP REPEATED LONDON'S DISAPPOINTMENT OVER ALLIES' UNWILLINGNESS TO SEND SIMILAR NOTES TO LARG BEFORE DECEMBER 3 UN PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE. HE SUGGESTED ALLIES MIGHT CONSIDER A SHORTER NOTE THAN FIRST UK DRAFT (REFTEL) INCORPORATING FIRST OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH WITH "STANDAR BASE LINE" REPLACING "COAST," SECOND PARAGRAPH, AND ONLY LAST SENTENCE OF THIRD PARAGRAPH, AMENDED AS FOLLOWS: "ACCORDINGLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF ... RESERVE ALL THEIR RIGHTS, AS WELL AS THOSE OF THEIR NATIONALS AND SHIPS FLYING THEIR FLAG, IN THE AREA."

3. ITALIAN REP SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD SEND NOTE  
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RESERVING ITS RIGHTS ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 3. TURKISH REP SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HAD SENT A SHORT NOTE LAST WEEK RESERVING ITS RIGHTS.  
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